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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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TATSUSHI KATAYAMA ET AL. )  
: Group Art Unit: 2672  
Application No.: 09/624,385 )  
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: **Technology Center 2600**  
IMAGE SYNTHESIS APPARATUS, )  
: **September 22, 2004**  
AND STORAGE MEDIUM )

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2004, please amend the  
above application as follows, the claim changes being reflected in the listing that begins at  
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